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TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

MARRIAGE.

On the 17th January, at St. Joseph's Church Hongkong, by the Rev. Father B. Vignani, ERNEST C. CLITHEROW, to NELLIE, daughter of the late Mons. Lambert D'Arc, of Cardiff, England.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 1895.

TELEGRAMS.

THE FRENCH PRESIDENT.

LONDON, January 17th.

The entire French press blames M. Casimir Perier in the severest terms for resigning, accusing him of desertion.

An excellent manifesto has been issued by the Socialists which states that the base flight of the President from his post betrays the downfall of Capitalism.

A letter from M. Casimir Perier, read in the Chamber, caused great excitement and cries of "Vive la République!"

The election to the vacant Presidency of the French Republic appears to lie between M. Waldeck-Rousseau and M. Brisson.

LORD RANDOLPH CHURCHILL.

The condition of Lord Randolph Churchill is the gravest yet noted and heart failure is feared.

ITALY AND ABYSSINIA.

The Italians surprised and defeated the Abyssinians at Coatol with heavy loss.

THE GOLD COAST.

Mr. W. E. Maxwell, C.M.G., at present Colonial Secretary of the Straits Settlements, has been appointed Governor of the Gold Coast.

(Special to *Stam Observer*.)

RUSSIA ADVANCES.

St. Petersburg, January 7th.

The Czar has announced his intention of ignoring all religious distinctions in future promotions in the Army and Civil Service.

TURKEY IN ARMENIA.

LONDON, January 4th.

The Turkish Government has sent a note to the Governments of France, Germany, Austria, and Italy asking them to use their influence with Great Britain and Russia, to induce these Powers to moderate their demands as to the Government of Armenia, made in connection with the recent atrocities in that country.

(From Tonkin papers.)

LATEST FROM PARIS.

Paris, January 7th.

M. Reissman, Italian Ambassador, has been recalled.

M. Ernest Carnot has been elected deputy for Besancon.

M. Gerault-Richard, who is in prison for a misdemeanour, has been elected deputy for Paris. The Government objects to his liberation.

Paris, January 8th.

Monsieur Rousseau, the new Governor-General of Cochin-China, will leave for the Far East on February 3rd.

There has been a great fall of snow, causing numerous accidents.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT ON A BRAZILIAN WAR-SHIP.

There has been a serious explosion at Rio Janeiro on board the cruiser *Nichteroy*, caused by fire. One hundred and twenty persons were drowned.

THE BRITISH DOLLAR.

The following telegraphic despatches have been forwarded to us for publication:—

SIR C. MITCHELL TO THE MARQUESS OF RIFON.

December 8th, 1894.

Referring to your despatch, No. 351, will dollar be issued in exchange for bullion only on the banks?

THE MARQUESS OF RIFON TO SIR C. MITCHELL.

Sent 3.15 p.m., 8th December, 1894.

Dollars will be issued on payment of one per cent. in exchange for bullion to any one.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

THE HAGUE, December 27th.

Advices received here state that the supremacy of the Dutch at Lombok and the pacification of the country are now complete. The expeditionary force has been disbanded with the exception of two regiments who will remain to garrison the island.

LONDON, December 28th.

The Turkish Government are despatching troops to Armenia to reinforce the garrisons there.

The Manager and four Directors of the Commercial Bank, Newfoundland, have been arrested. The principal charge against them is that of making a fraudulent statement of accounts. The accused have been admitted to bail on very heavy security.

PARIS, December 28th.

M. Raoul, member of the French Supreme Colonial Council, is advocating the employment of Zulus for transport purposes in the French operations in Madagascar, quoting British experience of the value of such animals for similar work in India.

According to advices received from Batavia, preparations are being made for another campaign in the Dutch East Indies. The operations are to be directed against Karangas, to which place Djilantik, the Balinese Minister at Lombok, fled after the capture of the capital by the Dutch. The expedition will probably start in January.

Discussions are being held by the Porte regarding the best method of carrying out the reforms demanded by the Powers. The Ministers are in favour of merging Enverm, Van-Bilirs and Movah into a single Minister, the Governor of which will be nominated by the Sultan and hold office for five years. It is proposed that the first Governor of the amalgamated districts shall be a Turkish official, but afterwards Christian Governors will be appointed.

An agreement has been concluded between Great Britain and Japan, extending for six months, the period fixed upon for the conclusion of a supplementary Convention for the conversion into specific duties of the *ad valorem* duties established by the tariff annexed to the recent treaty concluded between Great Britain and Japan.

St. Petersburg, December 28th.

It is stated here that the Czar and Czarina are meditating an extensive tour through the Empire next year.

Eighty petitions have been received by the Russian Government for permission to establish new journals in various places.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The British cruiser *Pylades*, 1,200 tons, is due here on the 25th instant from the Mediterranean.

The British gunboat *Redoubt* left here on Sunday last to relieve the *Rattler* at Bangkok. *Friday* and *China* State please copy.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Ching*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for the port, via Honolulu, Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 15th inst.

The first lieutenant of the *Undaunted*, Mr. C. J. Eyres, who has been invalided home, left here by the P. & O. steamer *Pekin* at noon to-day for London.

The reason for Admiral Freeman's sudden appearance at Nagasaki the other day with the *Centurion* and *Albatross*, was, we hear, attributable to a message to his desire to ascertain why an unusually large number of foreign men-of-war had assembled in Japanese waters.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamship *Empress of Japan* arrived at Vancouver on Tuesday last.

"Coke" Hicks, the energetic manager and address agent of the popular and versatile Oracles, left by the English mail to-day for Calcutta and Singapore.

PHILIP RICE, a marine engineer, who was knocked about China-town last night with a six-shooter up his sleeve, contributed fifteen shillings of silver to the local Treasury to-day. Good old "Phil"!

SIX weeks' imprisonment was the dose of physical education administered by Mr. Hastings at the Police Court to-day. He was charged with annexing a box of dominoes and some "aof" from a private casino in China-town yesterday.

THE master of the steam-launch *Punctuality* yesterday paid six dollars to the district sheriff of the Magistracy this morning as a *quid pro quo* for hanging about Bank Wharf yesterday with his fast and powerful "puft-off."

THIS afternoon Mr. F. J. Ackroyd, Acting Chief Justice, distributed the prizes at Queen's College in the presence of a large concourse of the relatives and friends of the pupils of that popular institution. Full report in our next issue.

It is probable that H.M.S. *Archer* and one or two more British warships now in the North will be recommended in Hongkong about the middle of March, provided the political horizon is a good deal clearer than it is just now.

THE *Stam Observer* states that the German barque *Kistling*, from Shanghai, and the Russian barque *Vera*, from Port Natal, arrived at Bangkok on the 7th inst., and that it is probable both these ships will load for the European market.

REMOURED, says the *Bangkok Times* of the 8th inst., that a case of defamation, arising from a few "free" expressions made in a local bazaar, is shortly to be brought by a German resident against an Englishman. Both the parties are Government employees.

A FAIRLY large audience assembled at the Orpheum entertainment at the Theatre Royal last night, the great attraction being the second week of the "Living Pictures." The performance will be repeated to-night, when, despite the unusually cold weather, there will doubtless be a good attendance.

A SERIOUS accident, which may yet prove fatal, occurred at the Central Police Station this morning. A palmer, who was putting a much-needed coat of paint on the windows of the police barracks, missing his footing on a scaffold and falling down to the basement, a distance of about 10 feet. He was promptly removed to the Hospital.

WE are authoritatively informed that, subject to audit, the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank propose to pay a dividend of £1.50 per share, place \$500,000 to the credit of Reserve Funds, to write \$100,000 off Property Account, and carry forward about \$130,000 to next half-year. Good business this. No wonder Bank shares have been on the boom of late.

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THE *Bangkok Times* says that the Queen Mother is very ill, having been seriously affected by the untimely death of the Crown Prince of Siam.

At the Magistracy to-day, before Mr. Hastings, seven varieties of *fun-fun* were charged at the instance of Acting Inspector Baker for gambling in a house in Lascar Row during the "first watch" on the night of the 11th inst. in the aggregate to \$20 were imposed and paid.

THE WINGLOK STREET AFFAIR.

At the Supreme Court this morning the three coolies who were acquitted at the recent sensational trial for murder in connection with the gang robbery at No. 56, Winglok Street, on the 22nd November, were placed in the dock and informed that the Crown had decided to withdraw the charge of murder preferred against them, and that they would be arraigned on an indictment for burglary on Monday, the 23rd instant, when the January Criminal Sessions will be held.

No date has yet been fixed for the "swinging" of the two men sentenced to death for the murder of an Indian constable in Winglok Street two months ago.

RECKLESS NAVIGATION IN THE HARBOUR.

A CHINESE SKIPPER "FIXED."

At the Marine Magistrate's Court this morning, Mr. R. M. Curry, Harbour Master, presiding, Chan Wing Cheung, certificate

